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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Thursday, 12 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 2nd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report (A/57/1)
2. Opening of the general debate:

   Brazil
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alejandro Toledo, President of the Republic of Peru
6. Address by His Excellency General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

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7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Georgi Parvanov, President of the Republic of Bulgaria

8. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of the Republic of Latvia

9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Valdas Adamkus, President of the Republic of Lithuania

10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Rene Harris, MP, President of the Republic of Nauru

11. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Gabriel Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe

12. Continuation of the general debate:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Anders Fogh Rasmussen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Denmark

3 p.m. . . . . 3rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luis Angel González Macchi, President of the Republic of Paraguay

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vojislav Koštunica, President of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Portillo Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala

4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hâmid Karzai, President of Afghanistan

5. Address by Her Excellency Ms. Mireya Moscoso, President of the Republic of Panama

6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leo Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fradique Bandeira Melo de Menezes, President of the Demoractic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe

9. Continuation of the general debate:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Kjell-Magne Bondevik, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway

Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Mesa Gisbert, Vice-President of the Republic of Bolivia

Canada

France

Informal consultations on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations with interested delegations on the declaration on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa (Addis Ababa)
2. Executive session on the United Nations High Commissioner's Office for Refugees
3. Draft report

Other meetings

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Thursday, 12 September 2002

Group of 77
(Draft Ministerial Declaration)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Group of 77
(New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Arab Group of the Whole

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Organization of the Islamic Conference

Committee on Palestine
(at the ministerial level)

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Ad Hoc Committee on Afghanistan
(at the ministerial level)

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 12 September 2002

Room S-226

1 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Dominique de Villepin, Minister of Foreign Affairs of France

3.15 p.m. . . . . H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

4 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Anders Fogh Rasmussen, Prime-Minister of Denmark

7.15 p.m. . . . . Mr. Hatsuhisa Takashima, Spokesman for the Foreign Minister of Japan

Friday, 13 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m.[1] . . . . . 4th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Milan Kučan, President of the Republic of Slovenia
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Pierre Buyoya, President of the Republic of Burundi
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Denis Sassou-Nguesso, President of the Republic of the Congo
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Ravalomanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar
7. Continuation of the general debate:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Junichiro Koizumi, Prime Minister of Japan

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Silvio Berlusconi, Prime Minister of the Italian Republic

   Australia

   Switzerland

3 p.m. . . . . 5th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate:

Egypt

Venezuela

Singapore

[1] The Honourable Michael Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York, will address Member States at 9.45 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, prior to the 4th plenary meeting of the General Assembly.

Kuwait

China

Republic of Korea

Russian Federation

Mexico

Turkey

Ireland

Chile

Honduras

Fifty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly
General debate
(12-15, 17–20 September 2002)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) for the general debate of the fifty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001). The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with General Assembly decision 56/468 of 1 May 2002, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

Committee on Conferences
Substantive session

The 447th and 448th meetings of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Friday, 13 September 2002, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Economic and Social Council

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session for 2002

The second regular session for 2002 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Monday, 23 September to Friday, 27 September 2002 in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2002/L.3. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 16 September 2002.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Second regular session for 2002

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 16 to 20 September 2002 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2002/11.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Organization of the Islamic Conference

Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir

The Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a meeting (at the ministerial level) on Friday, 13 September 2002, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosova

The Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosova of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a meeting (at the ministerial level) on Friday, 13 September 2002, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Contact Group on Sierra Leone

The Contact Group on Sierra Leone of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a meeting (at the ministerial level) on Friday, 13 September 2002, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on United Nations Reform and Security Council Expansion

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on United Nations Reform and Security Council Expansion of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a meeting (at the ministerial level) on Friday, 13 September 2002, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Seminar on international development

The Development Policy Analysis Division (DPAD) of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) will hold a seminar on Friday, 13 September 2002, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room DC2-2330. There will be a presentation by Mr. Ricardo French-Davis, Principal Regional Adviser of ECLAC and Professor of

Economics at the University of Chile, on "Financial Crises and National Policy Issues: An overview of the UNU/WIDER-ECLAC Project on Capital Flows to Emerging Markets since the Asian Crisis". All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Barry Herman (tel. 1 (212) 963-4747) or Mr. Sergei Gorbunov (tel. 1 (212) 963-4717).

UNITAR briefing on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) of the Office of Legal Affairs are jointly organizing a briefing on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea 20 years after the conclusion of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Wednesday and Thursday, 25 and 26 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 18 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9684).

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A.)

Live Webcast of the general debate

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly will be available at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 3 September 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Statements to the media

Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 11 September 2002

Security Council

4607th meeting — *High-level meeting of the Security Council on the anniversary of 11 September 2001: acts of international terrorism*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The Secretary of State of the United States of America made a statement.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2002/25).

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

General Committee

1st–2nd meetings — *Note*: The summary of the 1st and 2nd meetings of the General Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2002/177).

Committee on Conferences
Substantive session

445th–446th meetings — *Improved utilization of conference-servicing resources and facilities: videoconference* [2 (b)]

Questions from the floor were answered (videoconference) by the representatives of the United Nations Office at Nairobi, the United Nations Office at Geneva and the United Nations Office at Vienna. Questions were asked by the representatives of Argentina, Austria and the Russian Federation, and by the observer for Belgium.

Improved coordination and utilizations of conferences services . . . . . [2 (b) (v)]

Discussion of A/57/289 continued under this item. Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, Namibia, the Russian Federation and the United States, as well as by the observers for Belgium and the United Kingdom. The Assistant Secretary-

General of the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management also made a statement.

Documentation- and publication-related matters . . . . . [3]

The representative for Austria made a statement.

Translation- and interpretation-related matters . . . . . [4]

Use of remote interpretation . . . . . [4 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria and Tunisia, and by the observer for Belgium.

Employment of interpreters with desired language combinations . . . . . [4 (c) (iii)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria and Tunisia and the observer for Belgium. The Director of the Meetings and Publishing Division also made a statement.

Information technology . . . . . [5]

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, Tunisia, the United States and the observer for Belgium. The Assistant Secretary-General of the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management and the Director of the Meetings and Publishing Division also made statements.

Organization of work . . . . . [6]

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, Namibia and Tunisia.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Declaration of acceptance of the obligations contained in the Charter of the United Nations

Declaration: Switzerland (10 September 2002)[1]

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Accession: Cape Verde (10 September 2002)[1]

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: Cape Verde (10 September 2002)[1]

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Accession: United Arab Emirates (10 September 2002)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Argentina (10 September 2002)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: Belgium (11 September 2002)

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
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